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**Weaving Yarns: The Lived Experience of Indigenous Australians with Adult-Onset Disability in Brisbane**

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There is little information on Indigenous constructions and experiences of disability. This ethnographic research, utilising critical medical anthropology, studied the lived experience of urban Indigenous people with adult-onset disability. Long-term detailed research was conducted with three Indigenous women and four groups of Indigenous people. The lack of an Indigenous construct of disability was confirmed, related to a holistic construction of health, and its implications explored. Other findings related to governmentality, resistance, sympatricity and the potential for a cultural model of disability. A key message was the strength of Indigenous identity above and beyond other forms of identification.

